

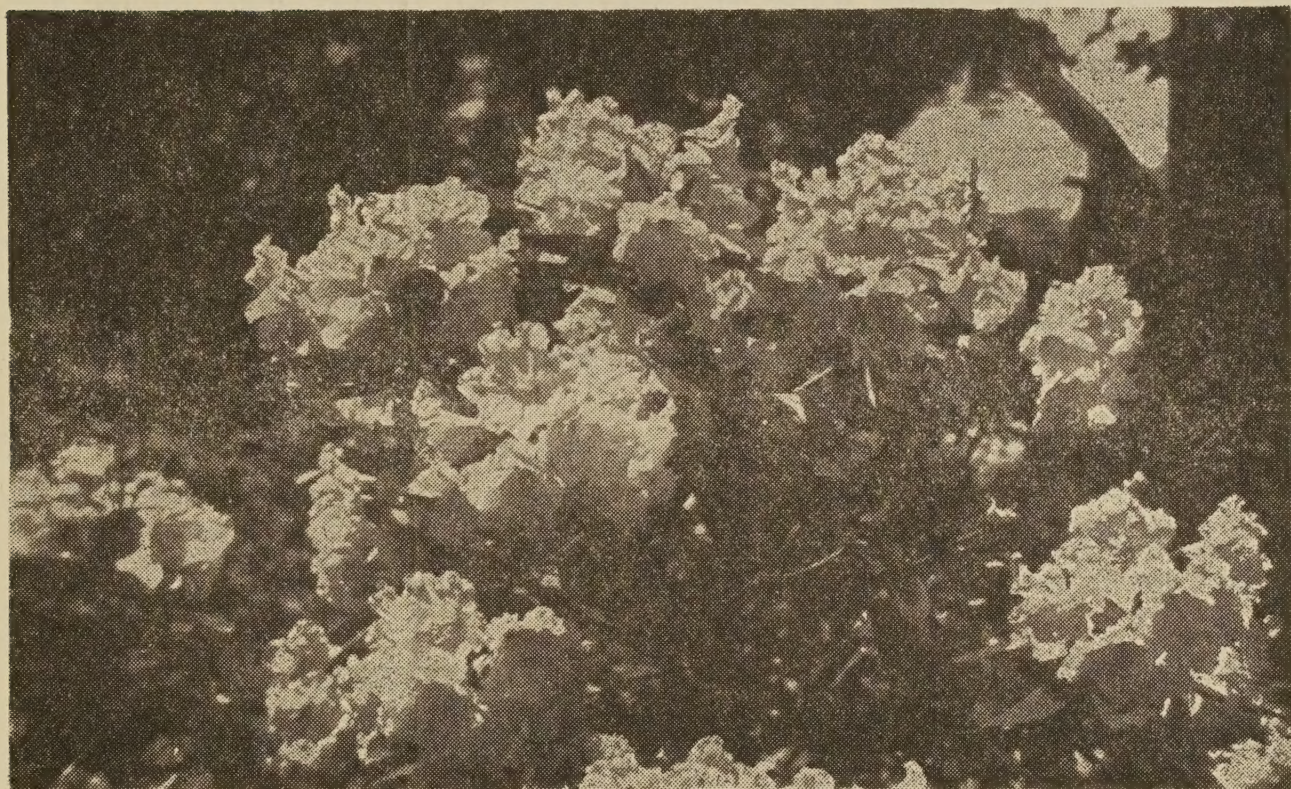
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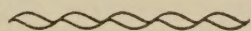
Rhododendrons and Azaleas

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RHODODENDRON DISCOLOR HYBRID

This year we are dividing our list into Rhododendron Species and Hybrids, Azalea Species, and the Gable Hybrid Azaleas. We do not have facilities for shipping stock any larger than the two-three foot size. There are larger plants of some items here for sale but arrangements will have to be made for delivery on this stock. Box material for large plants is both prohibitive in price and scarce as yet. Will do what we can but must ask you to be patient.



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RHODODENDRON SPECIES

- ADENOPODUM**—This species bears light pink flowers of good size, early in spring. Young leaves are coated beneath with a white woolly felt which turns to a buff shade. We have had this plant for years but it bears no seeds and we finally turned to grafting. Beautiful, different and quite hardy here.
2 yr. grafts, 12 in., \$5.00
- ATROSANGUINEUM X FORTUNEI**—This hybrid has not yet flowered.
2-3 ft., \$4.00
- AURICULATUM**—Very late white with very large fragrant flowers. Not altogether hardy here but manages to live and bloom with fair regularity in woodland sites where it has some protection from high winds.
8-12 in., \$1.50
- BEAUFORT**—New, early white with very fragrant flowers, good foliage and plant habit. Our introduction and a definite improvement on the common commercial whites generally offered. Stock limited.
6-12 in., \$5.00
- BRACHYCARPUM**—This hardy species from Japan is all too little known in the Eastern U. S., forming well shaped plants with beautiful dark green foliage and late creamy white flowers lightly striped with pink. Have good stock of larger plants.
1-1½ ft., \$3.00
- CAROLINE**—Another hybrid which we are offering for the first time this season. A superlative plant at all seasons and bearing abundant large pale orchid flowers that are quite fragrant. Early mid-season. It has yet to be injured here by winter cold.
8-12 in., \$5.00; 12-15 in., \$8.00
- CAROLINIANUM**—Grows 3 to 4 feet and hardy. Early pink flowers.
1-1½ ft., \$2.00
- CATAWBIENSE X DISCOLOR**—Fast growing hybrid with large, lustrous dark green leaves and good size flowers in light shades of pink and rose.
4-6 ft., \$10.00 - \$15.00
- CATAWBIENSE X FORTUNEI**—Strong growing plants with fine large leaves and flowers which are light to deep rose in color. Where tall plants are wanted for background these are fine. Quite hardy and pest free.
2-3 ft., \$4.00
- CATAWBIENSE ALBUM (Glass)**—A white flowered form of Rhod. Catawbiense that comes true from seeds. Discovered by the late Mr. Powell Glass.
4-6 in. seedlings, \$1.50
- CHRYSANTHUM**—A low growing species said to have yellow flowers. Hardy but exceedingly slow in blooming.
10-12 in., \$2.50
- CONEWAGO** — Resembles Carolianum in flower but earlier and larger flowered. Semi-deciduous and extremely hardy.
6-12 in. layers, \$3.00
- CUNNINGHAM'S WHITE**—Early dwarf white. A nice plant for the front of the rhododendron border.
6-8 in. branched, \$2.50
- CYNTHIA**—Beautiful large rosy crimson flowers. Should be given a spot protected from high winds and full winter sun—a site that will make any rhododendron feel more at home!
10-12 in. \$5.00
- DECATROS**—(Decorum x Atrosanguineum). Good sized flowers in various shades of pink, mostly light.
2-3 ft. Unclassified colors. \$6.00
- DECATROS X KATHERINE DALTON**—Seedlings of this cross that have flowered so far are white or nearly so. Growth slow and compact.
2-3 ft., \$4.00

DISCOLOR—This is one of the very finest exotic species that may be grown in our climate. It hails from West Central China and has been described as "E. H. (Chinese) Wilson's second best discovery." What interests us is that it is hardy in our part of the world in partially shaded woodland sites where it opens its great white or pale blush blossoms in late June. Normally grows into a tree twelve to fifteen feet high but more often seen as a large shrub. 8-12 in., \$2.00

DISCOLOR HYBRIDS—Unflowered and colors unknown. 4-6 ft., \$10 - \$15

FORTUNEI—Very large blush pink fragrant flowers and dependably hardy with us. Another so called "tree" species that hardly reaches that stature in cultivation but is often tree like in habit. The corolla is seven lobed instead of the usual five. *Rhododendron Fortunei* is quite free from all insect damage—in fact almost immune—and this also applies to its close relatives *R. discolor* and *R. decorum*. All hybrids of these species seem to partake of these pest resistant characters to a great extent. I have yet to observe a single lace bug or white fly on them and leaf eating worms rarely touch them. *Fortunei* itself, perhaps never. Large sizes, 4-8 ft. on application. 6-8 in., \$1.50

FORTUNEI HYBRIDS—A mixed lot, unflowered. 2-3 ft. \$5.00

GOMER WATERER—Late white. 10-12 in., \$5.00

HAEMALEUM HYBRIDS—This dwarf species with blackish crimson flowers has been mated with *Catawbiense* and *Catawbiense* hybrids and we offer some unflowered seedlings. Of slow growth. 2-3 ft., \$6.00

JOHN WALTER—Crimson. 8-10 in., \$5.00

LONGESQUAMATUM—Have a few seedlings of this unusual species which has surprised us by surviving our winters for a number of years unscathed. A sturdy, fine looking plant with pink gloxinia shaped flowers that are heavily spotted dark crimson in the throat. 4 yr. sdls., 4-6 in., \$2.50

MADAM de BRUIN—Cerise red flowers. 8-10 in., \$5.00

MADAM MASSON—White with yellow throat. 10-12 in., \$5.00

MAXIMUM—We have this native *rhododendron* in almost any size up to eight feet. Arrangements will have to be made to transport the larger plants. 1-8 ft. — \$1.00 - \$8.00

MAXIMUM X DISCOLOR—Large growing, fine foliage and late pale pink to white trusses of good size. 6-12 in., \$1.50

PURPLE SPLENDOR—Best purple. A little on the tender side. 10-12 in., \$5.00

RACEMOSUM X KEISKEI—Low spreading plant with small leaves and azalea-like flowers of Mayflower pink. Very early. 2-3 ft., \$5.00

RACEMOSUM. 59717. ROCK NO.—Dwarf type with charming rose pink flowers and flowering when only a few inches high. 4 in. pots, \$1.00

SUTCHUENENSE—A Chinese species that opens its large pink flowers exceedingly early. A warm week in March will open them—only to freeze later in most seasons. But it is hardy and generally succeeds in bringing a few blossoms through in any season with a really good show on occasion. For those who must have something to gamble on, here it is. 3-6 in. sdls., \$1.00

UNIQUE—Have a very few of this yellow flowered tender hybrid. 6-in. pots, \$5.00

AZALEA SPECIES

ARBORESCENS—Native, late white of unequalled fragrance. We are sold down to 3 in. pots, .50

KAEMPFERI—Shades of salmon and salmon pink. Tall growing. 1-1½ ft., \$2.00

POUKHANENSE—The wild azalea of South Korea which is quite hardy here growing into fine compact plants generally wider than high in exposed places. The abundant flowers are in shades of lilac purple. 8-12 in., \$2.00

SCHLIPPENBACHII—The "Royal" azalea. The large pure pink flowers, about the size of the flowering dogwood, are produced in early spring. Hardy anywhere but best in partly wooded situations where its blooms last longer in good condition. Sizes up to six feet. 2-3 ft., \$4.00

GABLE HYBRID AZALEAS

CAROL—(B8G). Abundant hose-in-hose flowers of most brilliant crimson pink on a spreading, rather dwarf plant make this one of the more promising new sorts. 6 in., \$1.50

CAROLINE GABLE—(96G). Brilliant hose-in-hose pink. 4-in. pots \$1.00, 6 in. pots \$1.50

ELIZABETH GABLE—(21G). Good evergreen with late salmon rose blossoms, semi-double. 6 in., \$1.50

GABLE'S FLAME—(C4G). A brilliant orange scarlet hose-in-hose with "ruffled" florets. Hardy and a dependable bloomer. 6 in. pots, \$2.00

HERBERT—Red purple hose-in-hose flowers of good size profusely and dependably borne make this one of the most called for of our hybrids. 10-12 in., \$2.50

LaROCHE—Single rose purple flowers very early. Free flowering, dependable and quite hardy. 10-12 in., \$2.00

LOUISE GABLE—Double salmon pink flowers of good size borne on a rather slow growing dense twiggy plant. 8-12 in., \$2.00

MARYANN—(38G). Medium late double flowered pink. Profuseness of bloom and good plant habit also commend it. Very hardy. 6 in. pots, \$1.50

MARY DALTON—(111G). Hose-in-hose salmon red with very pointed petals arranged in perfect symmetry. 10-12 in., \$2.00

PURPLE SPLENDOR—Dark reddish purple hose-in-hose flowers. Spreading habit. 6 in. pots \$1.50; 10-12 in. \$2.50

ROSEBUD—(B5G). Rose pink colored and rose form fully double flowers on a very dwarf plant. Unusually floriferous even for an azalea and—again rose like—it is particularly charming in the stage of the opening bud. Stock limited. 3 in. pot, \$1.00

ROSE GREELEY—We believe we have produced in this, that hardy white we have been looking for. The color is pure except for very faint trace of yellow in the throat, are of good size and substance and the plant of good compact, branching habit. 3 in. pots. \$1.00

SPRINGTIME—An early flowering pure pink that grows rather tall and will need considerable room. One of the very hardiest azaleas. 6-in. pots, \$2.00

VIOLA—Midseason flowers of bluish lavender spotted red. A vigorous grower of good spreading habit. 12-18 in., \$2.50

H6G—A hybrid of Azalea Tschonoskii, very twiggy and dense habit with flame scarlet hose-in-hose flowers. We know of no other hybrid of this species. 6-12 in., \$1.50

We like the single flowered azaleas also but find that the double and hose-in-hose forms set little or no seeds and losing none of their vitality in seed production they are more healthy, vigorous and free flowering than the single sorts. So we have been breeding toward this objective.